

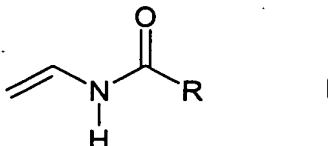
Abstract

Pretreatment of cellulosic textile

5 A process for pretreating cellulosic textile, which comprises the steps of:

(a) treating cellulosic textile with a solution of polymer or copolymer obtainable by

(a1) polymerization or copolymerization of N-vinylamide of the general formula I



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where

R is selected from hydrogen and C₁-C₁₀-alkyl, and

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(a2) partial hydrolysis if appropriate,

(b) optionally drying the treated textile, and

(c) optionally saponifying all or some of the amide groups,

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wherein at least one of the steps (a2) and (c) is carried out.